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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROCEEDINGS: CUT FLOWERS
FROM COLOMBIA

1. FOLLOWING IS ADVANCE TEXT OF PRESS RELEASE
REGARDING COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST
CUT FLOWERS IMPORTED FROM COLOMBIA:

2. QUOTE--THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THE
ISSUANCE OF A COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROCEEDING NOTICE COVER-
ING CUT FLOWERS FROM COLOMBIA.

3. THE NOTICE STATES THAT THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT HAS
RECEIVED INFORMATION WHICH APPEARS TO INDICATE THAT THE
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COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT MAKES CERTAIN PAYMENTS, BESTOWALS,

REBATES OR REFUNDS UPON THE MANUFACTURE, PRODUCTION OR EXPORTATION OF CUT FLOWERS, WHICH CONSTITUTE THE PAYMENT OR BESTOWAL OF A "BOUNTY OR GRANT" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE U.S. COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW. IF TREASURY FINDS THAT A BOUNTY OR GRANT HAS BEEN PAID OR BESTOWED, THE IMPORTS IN QUESTION WOULD BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL (COUNTERVAILING) DUTY EQUIVALENT TO THE NET AMOUNT OF THE BOUNTY OR GRANT.

4. THE AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES THAT THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS, BESTOWALS, REBATES OR REFUNDS

IS 13 PERCENT OF THE VALUE REFLECTED ON THE EXPORT DOCUMENTS.

5. THE NOTICE INVITES SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS IN TIME TO BE RECEIVED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER. IT IS SCHEDULED TO BE PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1974.

6. IF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT FINDS THAT BOUNTIES OR GRANTS ARE BEING PAID OR BESTOWED WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW, IT WILL ISSUE A COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER PROCLAIMING THE AMOUNT OF COUNTERVAILING DUTIES TO BE ASSESSED ON IMPORTS OF CUT FLOWERS FROM COLOMBIA. THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE THIRTY DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE ORDER IN THE CUSTOMS BULLETIN.

7. DURING 1973, IMPORTS OF CUT FLOWERS FROM COLOMBIA WERE APPROXIMATELY 8 MILLION DOLLARS.

8. INSTRUCTIONS ON CONVEYING THIS INFORMATION TO GOC AND TIMING OF ITS RELEASE FOLLOWS SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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